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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: SHIPPING DISPUTE

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1. WE FIND IT HARD TO UNDERSTAND RATIONALE BEHIND DECISION TO PUBLISH PROPOSED RULE PRECISELY AT POINT IN TIME AT WHICH WE APPEAR TO BE ON THRESHHOLD OF GUATEMALAN ACTION WHICH WILL ACHIEVE PURPOSES WE HAVE BEEN SEEKING FOR PAST TWO YEARS. WHILE WE CANNOT OF COURSE GUARANTEE FINAL CONGRESSIONAL ACTION, OUR BEST ESTIMATE IS THAT BILL WILL BE PASSED BY CONGRESS WITHIN NEXT TEN DAYS -- AND MORE PROBABLY NEXT WEEK -- AND SIGNED REASONABLY PROMPTLY BY PRESIDENT. THERE HAS NEVER BEEN ANY DOUBT EITHER IN THE MINDS OF GOG OFFICIALS OR IN OUR OWN MINDS THAT PUBLICATION OF PROPOSED RULE WOULD HAVE EFFECT OF STIFFENIF THE BACKS OF THOSE OPPOSED TO NEW SHIPPING LAW, AND INDEED WOULD PUT PRESIDENT IN VERY DIFFICULT POSITION AS HE CONTEMPLATED SIGNING NEW BILL.

2. I THEREFORE URGE THAT FMC ACTION BE DEFERRED AT LEAST FOR NEXT FEW DAYS. I HAVE AN APPOINTMENT WITH FOREIGN MINISTER WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, AND ALSO HAVE REQUESTED APPOINTMENT WITH PRESIDENT LAUGERUD (FOR GENERAL CONVERSATION WITH
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HIM PRIOR TO MY DEPARTURE FOR CONSULTATION IN DEPARTMENT) AND THESE MEETINGS SHOULD GIVE US A CLEARER PICTURE OF WHAT TO EXPECT IF LAW HAS NOT BEEN PASSED BY THAT TIME.
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